

PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES FOR CORRECTIONS OFFICER RETIREMENT PLAN LOCAL BOARD ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS



August 4, 2022



A public meeting of the Corrections Officer Retirement Plan Local Board for the Arizona Department of Corrections Rehabilitation and Reentry (ADCRR) was convened **Thursday, August 4, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.** at the **Arizona Department of Corrections, 1831 West Jefferson, Phoenix, Arizona, 85007**, on the 2nd floor.

The Board may discuss/vote on items at any time, the Board may enter into Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S 38-431.03 (A) (2) and obtain legal advice pursuant to A.R.S 38-431.03 (A) (3) to discuss details of a serious or confidential nature.

Present at the meeting were the following individuals:

Mario Chavez, Board Chairman	Kyle Cummings, Assistant Attorney General
Orin Romney, Board Member (Conferenced in)	Judy Frigo, Board Member
Sandra Moreno, Board Secretary, Retirement Specialist	Karen Ray, Board Secretary, Retirement Specialist
Guests	
Kelly Smith, Benefits Manager	Wayne Mooney, Career Advisor Supervisor
Alexandra Benlein, HR Operations and Benefits Administrator	

I. CALL TO ORDER – CORP Local Board Meeting called to order by Mario Chavez at 10:00 a.m.

ROLL CALL

- Board Member Sean Malone was not present

OPENING REMARKS

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Approval of Public Meeting Minutes for July 7, 2022.

MOTION 08-04-01	
Motion:	Approval of July 7, 2022, Public Meeting Minutes
Moved by:	Judy Frigo
Seconded by:	Orin Romney
Discussion:	
In Favor:	Frigo - aye, Romney - aye, Chavez - aye
Motion:	Passed

2. Approval of Executive Session Meeting Minutes for July 7, 2022.

MOTION 08-04-02	
Motion:	Approval of July 7, 2022, Executive Session Meeting Minutes
Moved by:	Judy Frigo
Seconded by:	Orin Romney
Discussion:	
In Favor:	Frigo - aye, Romney - aye, Chavez - aye
Motion:	Passed

III. IN LINE OF DUTY DEATH BENEFITS:

1. None

IV. SURVIVOR BENEFITS

At the start of this Section, and prior to considering the applications for Survivor Benefit, Chairman Mario Chavez read the following statement into the record:

Given the new legislation regarding the local CORP Board's duties and authority, it appears that this Board may not have the authority to approve or disapprove survivor benefits. However, PSPRS has expressed a belief that for applications related to deaths occurring prior to December 31, 2021, and for applications filed prior to December 31, 2021, such approvals are still to be issued by this Local CORP Board. Therefore, in order to avoid harm to the applicants, and to the extent such applications are before this Board and either involve deaths occurring prior to December 31, 2021, or were filed prior to December 31, 2021, this Board will move to approve or disapprove such benefit applications to the extent it is able to do so.

The following applications for Survivor Benefits have been filed and presented for Local Board consideration:

1. Joseph Spilker (Charlotte)

MOTION 08-04-03	
Motion:	Approval of Survivor Benefits for Joseph Spilker (Charlotte)
Moved by:	Judy Frigo
Seconded by:	Orin Romney
Discussion:	
In Favor:	Frigo - aye, Romney - aye, Chavez - aye
Motion:	Passed

V. DEATH BENEFITS

The following applications for Death Benefits have been filed and presented for Local Board consideration:

1. Sergio Arellano (Belen)

MOTION 08-04-04	
Motion:	Approval of Death Benefits for Sergio Arellano (Belen)
Moved by:	Judy Frigo
Seconded by:	Orin Romney
Discussion:	Question from Board Member Frigo regarding whether the statement read by Chairman Chavez for Survivor Benefits needed to be read into the record for this section; AAG Cummings explained that the statement did not need to be read into the record for this section.
In Favor:	Frigo - aye, Romney - aye, Chavez - aye
Motion:	Passed

VI. MODIFICATIONS

1. None

VII. REQUEST TO REMAIN IN ASRS/CORP:

The following waiver applications have been filed and are presented for Local Board consideration:

1. **Micah Solomon** is requesting to remain in CORP; he has 7.299 years of service. He promoted to an ASRS position as a Systems/LAN Administrator, effective August 6, 2022.

MOTION 08-04-05	
Motion:	Approval of request to remain in ASRS/CORP; VII. 1
Moved by:	Judy Frigo
Seconded by:	Orin Romney
Discussion:	
In Favor:	Frigo - aye, Romney - aye, Chavez - aye
Motion:	Passed

VIII. DISABILITY RETIREMENT:

1. None

IX. DESIGNATED POSITIONS

1. None

X. RETURN TO WORK RETIREES REQUESTING TO RETAIN PENSION:

1. None

XI. RETURN TO WORK RETIREES WITH AN ASSIGNMENT CHANGE REQUESTING TO RETAIN PENSION:

1. None

XII. RETURN TO WORK RETIREES IN A PART-TIME POSITION REQUESTING TO RETAIN PENSION:

1. None

XIII. GENERAL DISCUSSION:

1. Chairman Chavez stated that next Board Meeting will be on Thursday, September 1, 2022.
Chairman Chavez, Board Members Frigo and Romney stated they will be in attendance.

XIV. CALL TO PUBLIC

No public comment.

Mario Chavez adjourned the meeting at 10:07 A.M.

Transcribed on **August 5, 2022**

Karen Ray, Board Secretary, Pension Specialist